

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1899.

COME OFF.

We notice that The Herald of yesterday morning, true to its ideas of independent journalism, just sticks its nose into the investigation that THE REVIEW is now making into the water works and fire department. The Herald man has been running a paper here for nearly 10 years, and he is always preaching to wavering subscribers about the advantage his long residence gives him in the matter of getting out a local paper. Now it develops that in spite of this long residence the North Main street guerrilla of journalism is glad enough to follow in the path marked out by THE REVIEW in treating a local matter. There are inherent defects in our system of water works, and they have existed for years. In spite of all this, the mogul of journalism must wait for years, until some other man sets the ball rolling. He is willing to wait in the wake of THE REVIEW, and also unwilling to acknowledge it. It is all rich for him to come into the investigation if he wants to, but let him give us some new matter, and not make a parade in threshing out old straw, as he did yesterday morning. I notice this "second thought" wants a hand in the pile, let him try to be of some assistance. We are not in need of a man to do the echo act. There is a good deal of ground to be gone over without traveling any of it twice.

We also note that The Herald man tells us just what is the matter on his own hook. We are perfectly aware that he got his ideas from reading the statements that those acquainted with the subject have been making in THE REVIEW. But he won't give credit for them. He tells them as if they were his own opinions, and in the *ipse dixit* style in which Gabriel will probably declare the end of the world. But it may be that Baron Blowhard can't help this style of his, so we shall not press reformation.

But we know that the men who are speaking in THE REVIEW are acquainted with the subject, and their opinions are entitled to careful consideration. Now we do not see why his Nabob Jags should throw discredit upon these views by alleging that they are also his. Let him either credit these views to the men to whom they belong, or go out of this investigation entirely. Let him pay a little more attention to the "special telegrams" he scissors so industriously from the last edition of The Post Dispatch. But in the matter of water works, the united demand which those interested make of him is, to come off.

Chicago Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1:15 p. m. yesterday, received by G. C. Caldwell, secretary Decatur Grain Co.:

WHEAT—Oct. 80½c; Dec. 83c; May, 84½c.
CORN—Oct. 51½c; Dec., 51½c; May, 53½c.
OATS—Oct. 19½c; Dec., 19½c; May, 23½c.
POKE—Oct. \$10.70; Nov. \$9.40; Jan. \$10.70.
LARD—Oct. \$5.97; Nov. \$5.87; Jan. \$5.85.
RIBS—Oct. \$4.75; Nov. \$4.65; Jan. \$4.70.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:

Live Stock—Hogs, 13,000; market lower. Cattle, 16,000; market slow.
Grain—Car Lots—Winter Wheat, 90; Spring Wheat, 35; Corn, 42c; Oats, 25c.

To Gentlemen Who Shave.

On and after Sunday, Sept. 23, the price of shaving on Sundays will be reduced to 10 cents. I make this reduction for the benefit of my customers, but will give you my reasons for so doing. I have noticed that some of my old patrons who can ill afford to pay 15 cents, come in on Monday morning to get shaved, much to their inconvenience. Former veterans of the war say: "You surely would not charge an old comrade in the army 15 cents for a shave." To avoid all such causes of dissatisfaction, the reduction is made. It is true that I have always taken in more money when I charged 15 cents than when I charged 10 cents on Sundays. It is also true that it is customary to charge 15 cents on Sundays in almost all towns and cities of the United States. But I am unwilling that there shall be any cause for dissatisfaction among any of my customers. Hence the reduction is made.

FRED NORMAN.

John Wannamaker clings as good old fashioned dimes and rarely if ever touches wires.

Interested People.

Advertising a patent medicine in the peculiar way in which the proprietor of Kemp's Balsam for coughs and colds does, it is indeed wonderful. He authorizes all druggists to give those who call for it a sample bottle free, that they may try it before purchasing. But I am unwilling that there shall be any cause for dissatisfaction among any of my customers. Hence the reduction is made.

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The next was the 230 race, one mile and six furlongs, three heat in five. For this there were the following entries: Lida D, driven by J. Dickenson; Rena; Mack K, by Lacy Flint Gold-Dust and Billy P, by Hammered Red. Rena did not start. The other four horses ran off the first heat in good style. Lida D at the pole, Gold Dust 2d, Billy P 3d and Mack K 4th. On the first quarter Lida D led, the others following, strung out about three lengths apart. Second quarter Lida and Mack neck and neck. Third quarter, Lida leading, Mack second. Home stretch, Mack K led, winning the first heat in 2:36. On this heat Mack K was first, Lida D second, Gold Dust third and Billy P fourth.

The second heat was very spirited. Notwithstanding the skillful and valiant effort of the drivers, Mack K kept the lead throughout, and won in 2:47. Billy P pulled up to third place.

The third heat created great excitement among the spectators, and some betting was done by persons sportively inclined. It resulted in favor of Mack K, the others going back to the positions held in the first heat. Time, 2:44. The premiums were \$20, \$5 and \$3, respectively.

The next was a running race, one-half mile dash, for 2-year-olds. Purse, \$15. First horse, \$10; second, \$5. There were four entries, but only two started—Shilo, by Surlock, and Sunrise, r, by Lacey. Shilo was a spirited dash out of the gate, and was enthusiastically applauded by the spectators. Sunrise won in about one minute. The exact time will probably never be certainly known. Somebody "jockeyed" the judges by exposing a fine watermelon on the judges' stand just as the winners started. Four jack-knives (then called "watermelons") were thrown, and all were four slashes were contemporaneous made in said watermelon, and the plaudits of the multitude were temporarily smothered in the "splash," "slush," or crushing sound which followed.

It was so hot, hence the certainty as to the exact time. The time keeper gurgled about that it was "about a minute."

AWARDS.
During the day the following awards and premiums were made:
Thoroughbred registered draft horses, a French breeds. Mares, 4 years old—1st, A. A. Montgomery, Macon; 2d, Elijah Walker, Macon.
Draft stallions, French, 2 years old—1st, J. B. Goffney, Blue Mound.
Suckling stud colts, French—1st, Clint Dunkel, Macon.
French mares, French—1st, Macon Breeders' Association; 2d, J. P. Goffney, Blue Mound.
Roadsters, 3-year-old stallions—1st, W. T. Baker, Bolivia; 2d, H. K. Himmelwright, Decatur.
Roadsters, 3-year-old stallions—1st, W. T. Baker; 2d, Frank Hogan, Dalton.
Roadsters, 2-year-old stallions—1st, W. T. Baker; 2d, Robert Patterson.
Roadsters, 1-year-old stallions—1st, Ross Yard, Shelby county; 2d, W. T. Baker.
Roadsters, 4-year-old mares—1st, W. T. Baker, Jr.; 2d, W. T. Baker.
Three-year-old mares—1st, W. T. Baker; 2d, R. T. Russell, Moreauqua.
Two-year-old mares—1st, Miss Sarah Jackson, Shelbyville; 2d, Robert Patterson.
Sucking horse colts—1st, Stephen Brooks; 2d, W. P. Moffit.
Yearling mare colts—1st, B. Brownley; 2d, J. C. Newson.
Saddle mares or geldings—1st, W. Stoner (Lady Jewell); 2d, Thomas Stoner.
Sucking mare colts—1st, J. H. Delbridge.
Spans, geldings or mares, for driving—1st, W. T. Baker; 2d, W. T. Baker, Jr.
Horse cattle: 1-year-old bull—1st, L. Steele.
Bull calf—1st, Robert Patterson.
Heifer, 1 year old—1st, William Hight; 2d, Robert Patterson.
Calfes—1st and 2d, Robert Patterson.
Short Horn cattle: 3-year-old cows—1st and 2d, O. W. Fisher.
Three-year-old bull—1st, O. W. Fisher.
Two-year-old cow—1st, O. W. Fisher.
Heifer calf—1st, O. W. Fisher.
Best grade bull, any age—1st, O. W. Fisher.
Two-year-old grade bull—1st, O. W. Fisher.
Yearling bull—1st, O. W. Fisher.
Holstein cattle: Yearling bull—1st, J. Duval.
Two-year-old cow—1st, J. P. Duval.
Bull calf—1st, J. P. Duval.
Sheep: Oxford Shiredowns. Lambs—1st, A. Montgomery.
Sweepstakes. Ewe, any age or breed—1st, J. A. Montgomery.
Blacktop Merino sheep. Buck 1-year-old over 1st, J. P. Duval.
Ewe, over 1 year old—1st, J. P. Duval.
Grade lamb—1st, J. P. Duval.
Ewe lamb—1st, J. P. Duval.
Sweepstakes. Buck, any age or breed—1st, J. P. Duval.
Hogs. Poland-China: Boars under 1 year—1st, Oliver Gibson.
Boars, under 7 months—1st and 2d, J. H. Gibson.

drawn up in two lines and the mare keeping close to a lively air.

Mrs. Kallenbach, of Boody, exhibits a wagon elevator and grain dump of his own invention.

Also a model of the "Flat Walling Star Windmill" for pumping water, which has an automatic attachment for engaging when the tank is full.

Among the many visitors to the fair from Decatur, were: Judge Nelson, County Treasurer Steele, Charles O. Young, City Attorney McDonald, M. S. A. Buckingham, Mrs. Henry Waggoner, C. M. Caldwell, George E. Barnett, B. Z. Taylor, Thomas Quinn, Don Green, Miss Gracie Blaine, Miss Sutton, Frank Ebert and family, E. G. Allen and family, J. L. Mo-ser, of the Republican, Sheriff Maury, C. W. Battles and wife, T. W. Battles, J. E. Culbertson and family, Reed and wife, Fredon Busch, who presented Z. T. & Jas. Pope, Col. Stillington, Theodore Goodale, Samuel Stevens, Tobias Ward, Frederick Wood, Jacob Waltz, Charles Powers and family, Richard Thompson, Frank Despres and family, J. L. Whitton, Dandy Shaw and Samuel Dilchatt. Also J. W. Walker, of Walker station; Dr. Conley, Harri-town; Hon. Robert Hill, Boody; H. Heneman and family, Macou; William Itaney, Forsythe; William Gasaway, Harritown.

[New Books.]

The following new books have been received at the library and will be ready on Friday morning, Oct. 4:

American Almanac for 1890.
Clarke's Wonderful Journeys, C. F. Amery
and J. R. Clarke.
In My Lady's Trause, Sir Edwin Arnold
Manual of Oriental Antiquities,
Ernest Batelon
First Steps in Scientific Knowledge,
Paul Best
Duchess of Devonshire, M. Ballou
Dust West
How Success is Won, Sarah K. Bolton
The Light of Her Countenance,
H. H. Boyeson
A Woman's Story, Jessie H. Brown
Norman MacDonald
Ruderek Wayne
Little Lord Fauntleroy, 2 copies,
F. H. Burnett
Early Time and Other Stories,
George W. Cable
Rocky Fork, M. H. Catherwood
Canoes, J. E. Cooke
Sant Ilario, F. M. Crawford
Rural Bird Life, Charles Dixon
A Week in the Woods, A. Conan Doyle
The Forty-Five Guardsmen, Alex. Dumas
The Elsie Books, 13 vols., Martha Finley
The Two Elises
The Beginnings of New England,
John Fluke
Letters, Literary Remains of Edward
Fitzgerald, 8 vols.
Mine Own People, Louisa M. Gray
Cleopatrya, H. Rider Haggard
Round My House, P. G. Hamerton
The Sylvian Year and the
Larkspur River
The Scarlet Letter, 2 copies
Nathaniel Hawthorne
Davenport Dunn, Charles Lever
Heathcote, Mrs. Molesworth
The Little Swedenborg
Heavenly Times, Oscar Montfries
The House of the Wolfings, William Morris
The Golden Days of '39, Kirk Munroe
On Voyage, J. A. Palmier, Jr.
Poems, Edgar A. Poe
Poe Works, 7 vols.,
Avry Benson, Mrs. E. Prentiss
Mystery and Beastie, "
Little Threads, "
The Little Preacher, "
The Keys, "
The Story of Little Folks, "
Urbane and His Friends, "
Little Brown Top, E. A. Rand
Letters to Young Girls, John Ruskin
Dream Children, H. E. Scudder
Stories from the Bible, "
Notes on England, H. Taine
Notes on Paris, "
Jolly Good Times at School, P. Tuorne
Madame Guyon and Fenelon, 3 vols.
Christiana, Thomas C. Upham
Christmas, Henry Wade and Others
The Fate of Mansfield Humphreys,
R. G. White
Petland Revisited, Rev. J. C. Wood

An Unhappy Home.

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MORNING REVIEW

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1890.

GENERAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr. Catto was in Orona yesterday. Mike McGinty went to Peoria yesterday. I. C. Hart went to Springfield yesterday on business.

August Aron went to Monticello yesterday on business.

E. L. Martin was attending to business yesterday at Lincoln.

G. A. Barnes, a fireman on the Wabash, has moved to Chicago.

A. Bennett and family have moved to Decatur from Mattoon.

Thomas Smith, of Mt. Zion, went to St. Louis yesterday from Decatur.

Work on the 15th house in L. A. Wood's addition will begin next week.

N. E. Vinson came up from Nacon last night and went on to Springfield.

C. T. White passed through Decatur yesterday on his way to Evansville.

C. Tyler and L. A. Kaufman went to Macon yesterday to attend the fair.

Mrs. J. Bowers, of DeKalb, Ill., is the guest of L. T. Turner and family.

Mrs. Thompson, of Springfield, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. Einstein.

Charles Harpstrite, of Trenton, Ill., is in the city, the guest of August Harpstrite and family.

□ M. J. Cohen and wife left last night for a visit at Indianapolis. They will return Monday.

Mrs. V. H. Parke left for Atlanta, Ill., yesterday, where she will visit relatives for a few days.

Major M. P. Kanan has returned from a visit to Albany and Keyville, N. Y., his former home.

Mrs. James Miller left yesterday morning for Chicago, to join her husband and go on to Washington.

Mrs. Frank Stroud and Misses Emma and Elvie Adams, were in Decatur yesterday from Moweaqua.

Dr. H. B. Carriel, of Jacksonville, Ill., has been the guest of Dr. E. J. Brown for a few days, returned home yesterday.

Miss Nora Smith, of Tuscola, and Miss Mae Outsell, of Dakota, are guests of Mrs. Converse, on West Eldorado street.

Mrs. Bullock, on East Eldorado street, has returned home after a visit in Ohio. She was accompanied by her sister.

□ Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Goins and daughter, Mattie, who have been in Chicago for the past week, returned home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Strauss, of Pine Bluff, Ark., who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Stine, returned home yesterday.

Mrs. J. R. Rockwell, of Albany, N. Y., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. E. Carmichael, on Wood street, has returned to her home.

The brilliant wedding within a few weeks of two well known young people of Decatur society is just now a subject for speculative conversation by their friends.

A. W. Heaton, of Long Creek, returned yesterday from Mattoon, Kan., where he went to see his brother, James Heaton, who is seriously ill with progressive paralysis.

Anzi Baker, the ticket agent, and his son, Joe, leave this morning for a trip to Washington and the northwest. They will go by way of New Mexico and California.

Misses Ruth and Edith Evans very pleasantly entertained a party of their friends at the residence of L. M. Vaughn, on North Church street, Wednesday evening.

Miss Lydia Mueller is spending the winter at Chicago, and taking music lessons of Emil Liebling, having gone as far as she could under C. A. Foster's instruction here.

In a letter to Mr. Foster, Mr. Liebling speaks most highly of Mrs. Mueller's talent as a musician, which is so unusual as to make the development very interesting.

R. R. Springer, for some time a resident of Chautauk, Kan., has lately moved to Decatur and bought the C. C. Burrows house, in the northwest part of the city, where he will reside. He was at one time a banker at Blue Mound, and made considerable money there. Moving to Kansas he did not like the country, and has come to the best place he can find to settle down.

Kessler and His Affairs.

George F. Kessler, the man who tried to commit suicide, is still improving, though the doctors say the chances are yet against him by a long way. However, if no unfavorable symptoms develop in two or three days, it is thought the chances for his getting well will be about even. Kessler is still pretty paralyzed and unable to speak rationally, speaking only in broken words, however. He is very anxious to get well.

Mrs. Fred Glissman, the woman with whom he was said to have been intimate and thereby gotten into trouble, was seen here yesterday and remained about two hours. It was said that he was in the store just before he went down stairs, and that she asked him for money. That she denies, and says she asked him for his handbag. She had before told him she was going to Chicago, and he had tried to persuade her not to go. That day he asked her if she was going. She said yes. Now she says she noticed then that he seemed to change color and get pale, but she thought nothing of it, as he frequently had the blues.

Yesterday afternoon she said to him, half jokingly, "It's a wonder you didn't come around and try to kill me, too." "Well," he replied, "I didn't think about it."

The Second Party.

Drive what was the game that the guests of Mrs. F. M. Young played last night at a card party given to her friends, who are not yet far enough down life's pathway to be classed as elderly. The evening was a very pleasant one, the playing beginning at 8:30 and lasting till 12. Dainty refreshments were served on the tables. The first lady's prize, a brass mounted hand mirror, was won by Mrs. Green, of Blounting, and the second, a fancy candleholder, by Mrs. E. B. Judson. The gentleman's first prize was a fancy miniature top chest, and was won by Charles Powers. Dr. Will Barnes won the second, a brass holder of cigar lighters.

Those present were Mrs. Green and Mrs. Nelson, of Bloomington; Miss Kittie Smith, San Jose, Cal.; Miss Jessie Gillett, Elkhart, Ind.; Messrs. and Mesdames Frank Roach, Will Shellabarger, D. A. Moffitt, Albert Barnes, Charles Powers, Gies R. Warren, Mrs. Sedgwick, Mrs. E. B. Judson, Misses Judson, Ewing, Barnes, Roberts, Annabel Powers, Rogers, Guyton, Vail, Fuller and Goring, Dr. E. J. Brown, Dr. Will Barnes, B. Z. Taylor, Frank Curtis, James Hatfield, Will S. Eanis, C. G. Dorwin, and Parke Hamner.

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A REVIEWER called upon H. Mueller last Wednesday, and informed him that no doubt the citizens who are now interested in the present investigation into the condition of our water supply and fire department, would like to have his views on the situation. As all our people are aware, Mr. Mueller is perfectly acquainted with the details of our system, as he has seen every bit of it laid down and has given most of the development personal inspection. In addition to this close attention to the matter, the remarks of H. Mueller are especially appropriate in this investigation, because of his well known standing as a hydraulic engineer. He is a member of the American National Water Works association, composed of the best hydraulic engineers in America. In addition, he has made hydraulics one of the principal studies of his life. It would be superfluous for the REVIEWER to speak in detail of his skill as a machinist. Added to all this, he has splendid executive and business ability. He started in Decatur several years ago, with a little gun-shop. He now has 50 men in his employ, with a payroll that must amount to more than \$500 a week. He is the man of all others in our city who ought to be able to speak about the condition of the water works in a way that will command the attention of everyone interested.

When the REVIEWER saw Mr. Mueller he at once expressed a willingness to aid him in this investigation. It was a subject in which he took more than an ordinary interest, and he also took care in making everyone of his statements. He gave an exhaustive treatment of the whole situation, and the REVIEWER will now present to the citizens of Decatur, allowing Mr. Mueller to use his own words.

"If we are to have improvements in the water works system that amounts to anything, it will be necessary to begin at the bottom. I regard the first question as one of water. Before we go any farther we must have pure or clear water, which ever way you wish to put it. With our present appliances and means we cannot expect pure water. We have a second filter down at the water works, but it is vitally defective and entirely inadequate. To understand the work of this filter it is necessary to look at the situation around the water works. First, there is what we call a reservoir, some distance from the river. It was originally intended that this should be filled by the flow of rainfall and springs that came from country adjoining. This supply was shown to be entirely inadequate. It was seen that water had to be taken from the river. The question that presented itself was, how to purify the river water. The result was the building of our present so-called filter. A deep trench was dug from the reservoir to the river. Piles were driven along each wall of this trench. In addition, the sides were boarded, and means taken to prevent the passage of any water from the river to the reservoir, except inside the trench walls. Now next to the river a section of board was put into the trench. Adjoining this section was another one of finer material. Several sections were thus put in, each one of finer material than the one preceding it, and closer to the reservoir. The water passing through these different sections is supposed to become purified. This arrangement is what is known as the filter."

"Now the top of this filter is level with the ground. When it was built the top was covered with green boards. These were nailed down and dirt was piled on top of them. In a short time these boards shrank, leaving wide cracks between them. Now you will see with the first overflow of the river bottom a great deal of dirt was washed into the filter. This dirt must always be washed in through these cracks so long as the top of the filter remains as it now is. The only thing to do is to put an arch bridge covering over the filter and thus keep out the overflow."

"But now let us see how the filter is inadequate. When the pumps are taking a great deal of water out of the reservoir of course it lowers pretty rapidly. It soon gets below the level of the water in the river. This at once creates a pressure, and drives the water through the filter at such a fast rate that there is very little purification. The pumps must supply all the water we must have is, three or four filters of the same size as the one now in use. This number of filters will easily supply the water that leaves the reservoir when the pumps are working. You will see that with four filters doing the work that one now attempts, the water will pass through slowly enough to allow the different sections of the gravel to take up the impurities and dirt. While it is true that even this number of filters will not give us strictly pure water, yet they will furnish an article that is good enough to drink. Those desiring still purer water to drink can attend to the matter in their own houses. It would not be economy for the city to undertake to furnish strictly pure water."

"Now I wish to say something about the Adis pumps that are in use. Regarding their wearing qualities, I can say that they were run for six years at an expense for repairs of about \$7. This is certainly a pretty good record for the pumps. The present expense on the pumps is entirely attributable to the sand that got into the reservoir during the overflows, and to the muddy water that we have seen is owing to two causes. There isn't an engineer in the United States who could pump that water and prevent the wearing that has taken place on the valves."

"When the pumps were first put in they were inspected and tested by H. Mueller, hydraulic engineer and expert, called in by the city of Decatur. Mr. Hill's report is on file in the city clerk's office. The report was also sent to the convention of the American National Water Works convention. The Decatur pumps were very highly spoken of by this association, and Mr. Hill's report was put in the minutes of the convention. In fact this report, regarding our pumps and their efficiency, is one of the best that has ever been made to the association. So, in looking over our situation, we can rest assured that we have pumps that are all right."

"When we took the first pump apart, a few days ago, we found that the piston, which is made of the best bronze metal, was worn a scant one-eighth of an inch. Most of the wear was on one bottom side. We also found that the cylinders, stuffing box and piston rod were worn in the same proportion."

This would not be the condition of the pumps, after the length of time they have been used, if we had guarded against the overflow of muddy water and sand into our reservoir. Of course pure water will wear the pumps some, but not at all in this proportion. With good water the pumps ought to run 15 years without any extensive repairs."

"Now let us take a look at our system of mains and of distributing pipes. When they were first put down, money was not the most plentiful thing that we had. Pipes had to be spread over a good deal of territory with little money. The result was, too small. Now they are entirely inadequate. Considering the size of our city, we now have the poorest set of distributing mains in the United States. These ought to be step-valves on every square or two, so that the water could be so concentrated where there may be special need of it at any time."

"We have at present two principal supply mains coming from the water works. There is a 12 inch main coming up South Main street, as far as Lincoln Square. The other supply pipe is a 16 inch main, coming from the water works up to the corner of East Main and Broadway. I regard these two mains as being enough to supply a city of 25,000 or 30,000 inhabitants. If you put in sufficient filters, and guard them properly, you will find our water works all right up to this point, and you will find them adequate."

"But here we strike the distributing mains, and now the trouble begins. When the 12 inch mains strike Lincoln Square, a T opening is put on. We take the 12 inch main, throttle it down to six inches, and send it, thus diminished in size, out West Main street, as far as Lincoln Square. From this T opening on Lincoln Square, there is an eight inch pipe running east on East Main street, to the corner of Water. When the 16 inch main that comes up Broadway, reaches East Main street, it is throttled to a six inch main, and this runs out into the northeastern part of town. A little farther up it is throttled still further to a four inch. There is a T opening at the corner of Broadway and East Main. From this opening there is a 12 inch pipe running along East Main street, as far as Water's street. At the corner of Water and East Main there is another T opening looking north. From this opening a six inch pipe extends out North Water street, and supplies the north and north-western part of the city. I forgot to mention that there is also a four inch opening on the South Main street pipe, from which a main runs west on West Wood street."

"Now see the situation. The western part of town is supplied by a four inch opening on Wood street, and a six inch opening on Lincoln Square. The northern and north-western part of town depends entirely upon the six inch T opening at the corner of East Main and Water streets. The north-eastern portion of the city depends upon the six inch opening at the corner of Broadway and East Main street. The trouble with us is that we have not enough distributing area. In what we are doing, there is the 16 inch main that comes up Broadway. Its area is 201 sq. inches. The area of a 12 inch pipe is 113 sq. inches. Thus our two supply mains represent an area of 314 sq. inches. Now look at the area represented by the openings, that lead into the distributing mains. The area of the four inch opening on South Main street, is 12 sq. inches. We have three six inch openings, one at Lincoln Square, one at corner of East Main and Water, and another at corner of Broadway and East Main. The area of a six inch opening is a fraction over 28 sq. inches. So that these three openings furnish an aggregate area of 85 sq. inches. This added to the 12 sq. inches on South Main street, gives us a total area of 97 sq. inches, which is about the entire area opening that leads into the distributing pipes. You can see that we are trying to push 314 sq. inches of supply into 97 sq. inches of distribution. Such an attempt is not good hydraulics. Now this attempt to crowd 314 sq. inches into 97 sq. inches, must result, not only in failure, but also in the creation of resistance, something that we have not yet measured."

Mr. Mueller's valuable and accurate statement will be continued in to-morrow morning's REVIEW.

WEDDINGS.

REPLER-BENNETT.
Samuel Repler and Mrs. Fannie Bennett, both residents of Marion, were married last night by Rev. W. H. Davis, at his residence, 355 North Mercer street.

DAY-SULLIVAN.
Henry W. Day and Miss Jennie W. Sullivan were married Tuesday, Oct. 1st, at Monett, Mo. Jennie is a niece of Mr. West-bay, formerly of the firm of Alexander & Co., of the building factory. She was a great favorite in society here.

RICHARDSON-SHERWOOD.
Wednesday, at 9 a. m., at the bride's home at Fairview, Ill., G. W. Richardson, Niantic, and Miss Etier Sherwood were married. They arrived in Decatur that night, and are now with Mr. Richardson's mother, on Wood street, for a few days. Mr. Richardson will open a drug store on Cat-bow street soon, and live in Decatur hereafter.

HOLLISTER-LONG.
Quite a pleasant wedding occurred last night in the parlors of the Denning. F. D. Hollister, of Monroe, Mich., and Miss Sarah J. Long, of Marion, were united in marriage by Rev. T. W. Pinkerton, in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. C. Custer, of Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Peterson, of Springfield; William Long and Mrs. Cooper, of Marion, and John Cronk, of Bloomington. An elaborate wedding supper was afterwards served by Landlord Spaulding. Mr. and Mrs. Hollister left last night for Springfield. They will then go to Toledo and from there to their home at Monroe, Mich.

A WEDDING.
The marriage of Henry Drobisch, of Lincoln, and Miss Mary Ehrhart, was celebrated by Rev. J. L. Cramer, at the residence of the bride's parents, 227 East Jefferson street, at 6 o'clock last evening. The bride was attired in a handsome costume of French grey tulle and cloth. The ceremony was witnessed by a small number of friends and relatives of the happy couple. After the ceremony an elegant wedding supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Drobisch departed at 9 o'clock for St. Louis where they will remain for a few days. Coming back, they will go to Lincoln to reside.

Silver Medal Contest.
The contestants for the Demorest medal in the Good Templar contest, in the hall over the court room, to-night, are Miss Katie Seeger, Piny J. Smith, Miss Lillie Camery, Miss Nellie Smith, Walter Custer, and Miss Lulu Elliott. There will also be a number of musical selections. All are invited to attend.

AMUSEMENTS.

Scanlan, the singer, will be at the opera house to-night. He is so well known as to hardly need any further mention, but the words of Nym Criske, New York's well-known critic, must surely be of interest: "I saw Scanlan act the other night for the first time. As a rule I do not care for Irish dramas, but this man Scanlan invested 'Myles' Atton' with a quality, heavily romanticism that could not be resisted. He was the real gossamer of the green isle, and one could see by the eager eyes of the Irish girls in the audience that all the girls in the native county of Westmeath would be in love with him. He went through the four acts of this pretty story with something of Rip Van Winkle's devil-may-care indifference, but there was an easy, hearty tenderness in an unstrained effectiveness to his sentiments, a rich, mellow cadence to his baritone voice and a gleam on his handsome face that touched the humanity of his audience, and lit up the business with a distinct and honest glow."

Miss Mattie Vickers will be at the opera house on Monday, Oct. 7th. She is one of the favorite sopranos now on the stage, and is making a great deal of money and buying loads of fine clothes. Though of several years of experience, she is still unaffectedly fresh and buoyant. She seems to love her work, and to put her whole heart and soul into it. She has a demonstrative personality, and she knows how to exercise it, having a style of her own, a novelty in her method and manner, quite distinct from any other artist in her special line. She can also deliver little bits of sentiment with exquisite tenderness. Her dancing is really inspiring.

Real Estate Transfers.

John K. Warren and wife and B. K. Durfee and wife, to Solomon Smith, lot 6, in J. K. Warren & Co.'s seventh addition to Decatur; \$300.00.

Fredrick Miller and wife, to John R. Race, lot 1, block 6, western addition to Decatur; \$400.

James L. Lee to Thomas M. Lee, west half of southwest quarter of north-east quarter of section 25, township 18, range 4 east; \$300.

Louis A. Mills to Isaac R. Mills, all the undivided half of Mills Bros' addition to Decatur; \$2,500.

John R. Hubbard and wife to Elmer E. Rutledge, lot 28, block 2, Higgins' addition to Decatur; \$750.

John R. Race and wife to Lydia M. Miller, lots 4 and 5, block 5, town of Marion; also the lot west of and adjoining said lots, being lot 5, west half of the northwest quarter of section 11, township 18, range 2 east; \$800.

Jason Rogers to W. A. Smith, a lot in Marion; \$125.

Christian Gill to John C. Wine, two tracts in S. 16, E. 6, sec. 25, 300.

J. M. Clokey to A. T. Summers, lots 12 and 13, in block 3, and lots 5 and 6 and half of 7, in block 6, of East Park Boulevard; \$1,350.

A. T. Summers to Sophia Troutman, the above lots; \$1,350.

E. O. Smith to Anna Freeman, lot 15, on Webster street, near Clay; \$500.

Alfred Pettyjohn to David Schenck, a lot in S. 18, E. 1, sec. 11; \$100.

Malcolm Haworth and George D. Haworth to K. H. Roby, 20 feet of west side of lot at the corner of Water and Packard street; \$3,350.

David A. Moffat, Conrad, Annan, and C. M. Caldwell, to Karl C. Pfister, a lot on Caldwell street, near Webster; \$275.

The Tibbets Funeral.

Funeral services over the body of Samuel Tibbets were held at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Rev. M. M. Goodwin, of St. John's church, of which Mr. Tibbets was a member. Music was furnished by a quartette under the direction of R. W. Chilton. A number of members of Celestial Lodge, L. O. O. F., were present out of respect to the memory of their deceased brother. At night a special meeting of the lodge was held and it then went in a body to the residence, and from there to the train on which the remains left at 10:30 for Louisville, Ky.

The Grand Jury.

William McCullough, brought here from Moweaqua and put in jail for stealing a mule, was released yesterday, the grand jury deciding not to indict him. He was working for a woman who owed him \$55. It was proven that he was at times delirious, and it is supposed that during one of those times he took a \$50 mule and sold it, thinking he had a right to do so. The mule was sold to Brennan & Watt, and as the young man's father made good their loss, no one desired to see him prosecuted.

Returned From the Reunion.

The Veterans of the 8th Ill., who went from Decatur to the reunion at Charleston, returned yesterday. They were James Hevies, James Steele, Jerry Nicholson, A. S. Baylor, and Captain George S. Durfee and wife. The reunion will be held at Decatur next year.

The Special Cars.

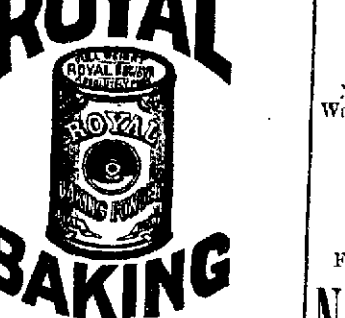
A special sleeping car and a chair car will be put on the train leaving tonight at 12:05, for the accommodation of those who go from Decatur on the Knights' Templar trip to Washington. The cars will be set off here in the early part of the evening, and can be taken possession of then.

Weddings to Be.

F. O. Riggs and Miss Alice Imboden will be married on Tuesday evening, Oct. 8. The marriage of Miss Dot Walgamot to Frank McCullough, of Springfield, on Nov. 4, is announced.

A Grand Ball.

A grand ball will be given at the Guards' armory, by the best colored people of Decatur, on Wednesday, Oct. 16. Extensive and elaborate arrangements are being made, and it will be a brilliant affair.



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